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Application for Commutation of Sentence

Executive Clemency in the State of Nevada is power vested by the Nevada Constitution to the Board of Pardons to grant pardons, remit fines and forfeitures and commute punishments. The Pardons Board consists of the Governor, the Attorney General, and the Justices of the Supreme Court and operates within the provisions of NRS 213.005–213.100 and NAC 213.010–213.210. The Pardons Board should not be used in an attempt to circumvent the normal avenues of post-conviction relief in the courts or to bypass the function of the Parole Board.

The application of an inmate who is otherwise eligible for a hearing before the Pardons Board must be accompanied by a recommendation by the Director of the Department of Corrections to the Executive Secretary of the Board.

The power to grant a pardon or restore the rights of an offender does not extend to crimes committed under federal law or the laws of any other state.

Certain conditions must be met in order for an application to be considered. No application for a pardon will be considered prior to judgment and commitment, while the person is under indictment for another crime, or during the course of an appeal from the conviction or sentence for which clemency is being sought. Similarly, no application for clemency will be considered while application is being made for any form of post-conviction relief, including a sentence reduction motion or federal habeas corpus motion.

Please note that the Pardons Board receives hundreds of applications for sentence commutation and only a few of those applications will be accepted for review and consideration. Reasons why most applications are rejected include the lack of extraordinary circumstances or that other information justifies denial including disciplinary history, management issues, inmate is parole eligible or discharges soon, an appeal is pending, other post conviction relief in progress or other factors. If your application is accepted for review, a complete background investigation will be conducted and a report will be issued to the Pardons Board detailing all of your criminal history, character and any other information deemed relevant

In the event the investigation reveals negative information that was not disclosed on your application, further consideration may be rejected. Applications must be received in the Office of the Director by 5:00 PM on Friday, August 8, 2003. Applications received after that date will not be considered.

Please return the attached application to your caseworker for forwarding to the Director's office, cr directly to the Director at the following address:

Director, Dept. of Corrections Pardons Application 4070 Silver Sage Rd. Carson City, NV 89701